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What is this study about?

GetCheckedOnline (GCO) launched in September 2014. This article evaluates the 15 month pilot phase of the program, so that we can understand who uses GCO, their test results, and whether there were differences by how people found out about GCO.

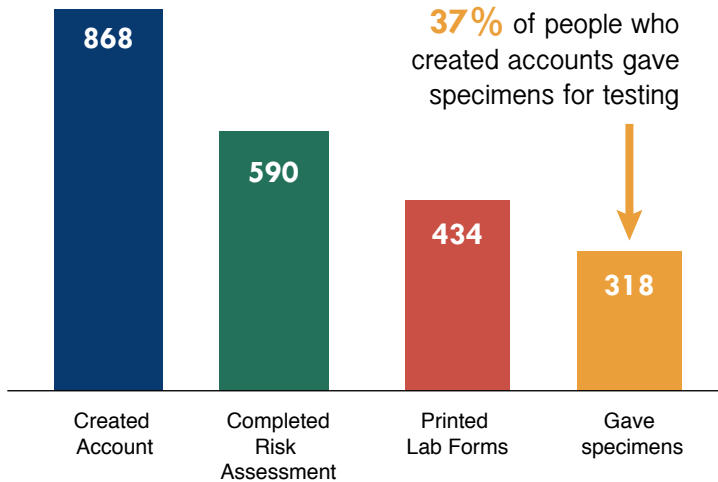
What did we do?

We analysed the data that is routinely collected as part of using the GCO service.

What did we find?

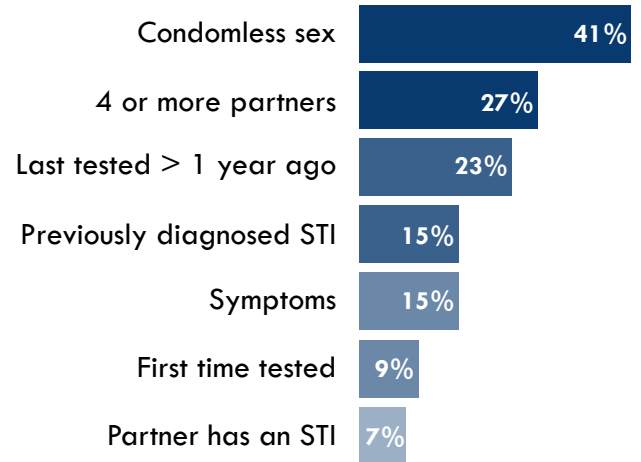
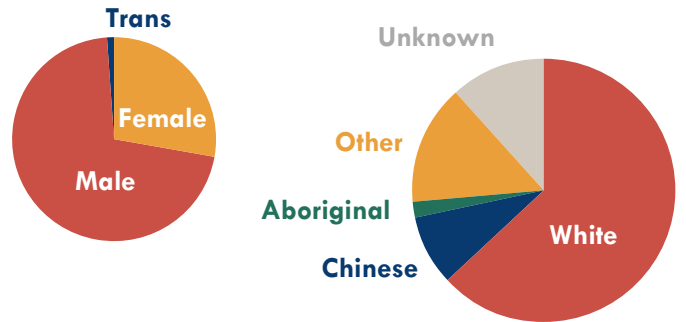
During the first 15 months, 318 people used GCO to get tested. Ten (3%) were diagnosed with an infection. About 1 in 3 users tested more than once.

Over 800 people created accounts, with drop off along the steps of the testing process.



The highest rates of testing were in people who had been referred to GCO by testing clinics because they did not want to wait for an appointment

Who is using GETCHECKED ONLINE?



Why is this important?

By conducting this evaluation of GCO's pilot phase, we've demonstrated GetCheckedOnline works and is acceptable to people who need to get tested. These findings supported expanding the program to six other communities across British Columbia in February 2016.

Want to know how GetCheckedOnline works? Take a video tour at getcheckedonline.com